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## PATENT APPLICATION

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### AMENDMENT B

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 15, 2005, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the present Amendment B are being filed. The entry

of the following amendments and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

The filing fee for the RCE under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e) is \$790.00.

In addition, Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time of three months to respond to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, on the above-identified application. This extension extends the time to respond from July 15, 2005, to October 15, 2005, and this petition, together with an amendment and the requisite fees, are being filed concurrently with a certificate of mailing on or before the latter date. This request for an extension of time would allow this Amendment to be submitted six months after the date of the Office Action. Accordingly, the appropriate fee for extension of time is that stated in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(2) for a large entity, which is a \$1,020.00 extension fee for response within three months.

After this Amendment, 10 claims remain pending, 3 of which are independent. In the original application 20 claims were paid for, 3 of which were independent. Accordingly, it is believed that no additional claims fees are due to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at this time.

The total thus due for the RCE, this Amendment and the three month extension of time is \$1,810.00, and a check totaling \$1,810.00 is enclosed herewith. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is also authorized to charge any additional fees required to secure

the entry of this Amendment Under Rule 1.111, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-0882.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this Amendment.